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ALL AGREEMENT STATES

OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON DRAFT NUREG-1556, VOLUME 2, REVISION 1, "CONSOLIDATED GUIDANCE ABOUT MATERIALS LICENSES: PROGRAM-SPECIFIC GUIDANCE ABOUT INDUSTRIAL RADIOGRAPHY LICENSES" (FSME-11-101)

Purpose: To provide the Agreement States with the opportunity to comment* on the Office of Federal and State Materials and Environmental Management Program's (FSME) draft NUREG-1556, Volume 2, Revision 1, "Consolidated Guidance about Materials Licenses: Program-Specific Guidance about Industrial Radiography Licensees."

Background: The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is revising the licensing guidance in the NUREG-1556 series. The NRC originally published NUREG-1556, Volume 2 in August 1998. The document is intended for use by applicants, licensees, and NRC staff and is also available to the Agreement States.

Discussion: NUREG-1556, Volume 2, Revision 1, has been updated, by a working group made up of NRC and Agreement State representatives, to include safety culture, security of radioactive materials, protection of sensitive information, an appendix on lay-barges and offshore radiography, and to incorporate changes in regulatory policies and practices. The notice announcing the availability of the draft volume for comment was published in the *Federal Register* (76 FR 72005) on November 21, 2011: http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-11-21/pdf/2011-29986.pdf

The draft volume can also be found on the NRC's public website at: http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/nuregs/staff/sr1556/v2/sr1556v2r1.html

The comment period ends on January 13, 2012. Please follow the directions in the *Federal Register* regarding comments. We look forward to receiving your input.

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